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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	Broersma, Lester)	Confirmation No.: 5961
SERIAL NO.:	10/772,814)	
FILED:	2/4/2004)	
TITLE:	Auto-adapting Tube Fitting)	
ART UNIT:	3679)	
EXAMINER:	Bochna, David)	

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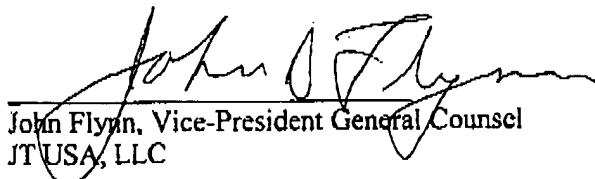
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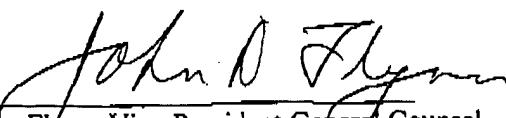
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Dear Sir:

JT USA LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application, Application No. 10/772,814, by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application, Lester Broersma. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 014969, Frame 0913.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.


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